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Cell transplantation has emerged as an experimental approach to restore brain function after stroke. Various cell types including porcine fetal cells, stem cells, immortalized cell

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Id proteins--tumor markers or oncogenes?

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The Id (Inhibitor of differentiation or Inhibitor of DNA-binding) proteins act as dominant negative inhibitors of differentiation—specific basic Helix-Loop-Helix (bHLH) transcription factors. Id proteins negatively regulate cellular differentiation and they induce proliferation by modulating different cell cycle regulators both by direct and indirect mechanisms. Ectopic expression of Id proteins in tissue culture models can result in cellular immortalization and abrogation of differentiation processes. Recent reports show that Id proteins are overexpressed in various cancer types implying a role of these regulatory proteins in carcinogenesis. This review focuses on the biology of the Id proteins and their role as potential oncogenes.

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Derivation and spontaneous differentiation of human embryonic stem cells.

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Embryonic stem (ES) cells are unique cells derived from the inner cell mass of the mammalian blastocyst. These cells are immortal and pluripotent, retain their developmental potential after prolonged culture, and can be continuously cultured in an undifferentiated state. Many in vitro differentiation systems have been developed for

mouse ES cells, including reproducible methods for mouse ES cell differentiation into haematopoietic and neural precursors, cardiomyocytes, insulin-secreting cells, endothelial cells and various other cell types. The derivation of new human ES cell lines provides the opportunity to develop unique models for developmental research and for cell therapies. In this review we consider the derivation and spontaneous differentiation of human ES cells.

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Spontaneous regression of neoplasms: new possibilities for immunotherapy. Bodey Bela

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cells , neoplastic transformation is directly mammalian associated with the expression of oncogenes, loss or simple inactivation of the function of tumour suppressor genes and the production of certain growth factors. Genes for suppression of the development of the neoplastic cellular immunophenotype, as well as inhibitory growth factors, have regulatory functions within the normal processes of cell division and ribonucleoprotein polymerase) differentiation . Telomerase (a frequently detected in various neoplasms. Telomerase activation is activation is regarded as essential for cell immortalisation and its inhibition may result in spontaneous regression of neoplasms. This phenomenon of neoplasms occurs when the malignant tissue mass partially or completely disappears without any treatment or as a result of a therapy inadequate to influence systemic neoplastic growth. This considered definition makes it clear that the term 'spontaneous regression' applies to neoplasms in which the overall malignant disease is not necessarily cured and to cases where the regression may not be complete or permanent. A number of possible mechanisms of spontaneous regression are reviewed, with the understanding that no single mechanism can completely account for this phenomenon. The application of the newest immunological, molecular biological and genetic insights for more individualised and adequate antineoplastic immunotherapy (alternative biotherapy) is also discussed.

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Telomerase activity in pancreatic endocrine tumors.

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OBJECTIVES: Pancreatic endocrine tumors (PETs) have variable prognoses, and predictors of survival are lacking. PETs can be difficult to distinguish histologically from aggressive pancreatic neoplasms such as

Telomerase is a ribonuclear protein that acinar cell carcinoma. cell induces telomere and length of the the maintains of pancreatic 95% present in Telomerase is adenocarcinoma and is associated with aggressive tumor behavior. Our aim is immortality . to determine telomerase activity in PETs and investigate its potential role a prognostic indicator. METHODS: Telomerase detection using the telomeric repeat amplification protocol was performed on frozen surgical archived pancreatic endocrine tissue from 30 patients with PETs identified by light microscopy (hematoxylin-eosin stain). All results were confirmed with internal controls. A patient's survival was measured from the time of surgery. Acinar cell differentiation (presence of zymogen granules) was determined by electron microscopy. Follow-up data were acquired via telephone interview, medical record review, and death certificates. RESULTS: Three of 30 PETs diagnosed by light microscopy were telomerase positive: three were considered nonfunctional, and two of these three patients had extrapancreatic disease. All three telomerase-positive cases were reclassified as either acinar cell carcinoma (two cases) or mixed acinar-endocrine cell carcinoma (one case). All three (mean age = 63 yr) died from tumor progression within 2 yr of surgery (mean = 1.6 yr + /-0.5 SD). The remaining PETs were telomerase negative: 13 insulinomas, four nonfunctional, two sporadic glucagonomas, one gastrinoma, one vipoma, one carcinoidlike PET, and five PETs from three patients with multiple endocrine neoplasm syndrome type I and two patients with von Hippel-Lindau syndrome. Excluding insulinomas, 12 of 14 patients with telomerase-negative PETs had extrapancreatic disease. Nevertheless, Kaplan-Meier survival estimates for these 12 patients were significantly than for patients with telomerase-positive acinar cell carcinoma (92% vs 0% at 2 yr, p = 0.001, log rank test). The survival of all telomerase-negative PETs (n = 27) was significantly longer than that of the patients with telomerase-positive acinar cell carcinoma (93% vs 0% at 2 yr, p = 0.0001). CONCLUSIONS: Telomerase activity helps to identify acinar cell carcinomas that histologically resemble PETs, which accounts for the poor prognosis demonstrated in these patients. The absence of telomerase activity in most PETs may be responsible for their indolent clinical course. Telomerase may identify potentially progressive tumors, such as acinar cell carcinoma, and may be useful in selecting patients for more aggressive treatment.

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Signaling on telomerase: a master switch in cell aging and immortalization.

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Record type: In Process Cell aging involves damages and losses of genetic materials including the gradual shortening of telomeres. Telomeres, the ends of chromosomes, have a variety of functions, and the most notable ones include those involved in retaining genome integrity and stability and in regulating cell lifespan. Early loss or damage of telomeres causes whereas excessive gain of telomeres confers aging, premature immortality upon some cancer cells . However, the opposing changes in telomere structures and their associated cellular effects on aging and immortalization are forcefully regulated by the enzyme telomerase. Telomerase is a large protein-RNA complex that has telomeric DNA reverse transcriptase activity. Although a wealthy body of information has been obtained on the involvement of telomerase in tumorigenesis, its structure of the holoenzyme, the mode of its action, its cellular function in aging, and the pathways of its regulatory mechanisms have not been entirely understood. Recent research on telomerase has become an increasing investigative effort to uncover the molecular mechanisms of aging and aging-related diseases. This article will briefly review now telomerase may impact aging, what potential in vivo significance the regulation of telomerase may have on aging, how signals are transduced from telomerase and telomere to different cellular effects, and how telomerase itself is controlled in mammalian cells.

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Prospects for the temporary treatment of acute liver failure.

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At present, the most successful treatment of acute liver failure is orthotopic liver transplantation, with survival rates ranging from 70% to 85%. However, mortality rates for liver failure remain high because of the shortage of available donor organs. Therefore, there has been renewed interest in temporary treatment methods for patients with acute liver failure to either allow liver regeneration or await liver transplantation. It is thought that the function of the liver can only be replaced with the biological substrate, e.g. liver cells or a whole liver specimen, which requires the availability of liver tissue from xenogeneic or human sources. In this review, existing temporary liver support techniques are summarized and the potential hazards are described. These include the immunological implications of these techniques, e.g. the host versus graft reaction, which may influence the effectivity of the support system, and in the long run may sensitize the patient to subsequent allogeneic transplantation. The graft versus host reaction is also considered. At present, one of the major concerns is the threat of pig-to-human transmission of activated endogenous retrovirus present in the pig genome. overview is given of literature concerning the transmission of retrovirus particles in vitro and in vivo. Finally, new solutions for the development of ex vivo systems for temporary treatment of patients with acute liver failure are discussed. These include the use of new immortalized human cell lines and human fetal hepatocytes, and the possibility of isolating, expanding and genetically manipulating stem cells in order to have stable differentiated and committed cells.

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Interactions between growth factors and steroids in the control of LHRH-secreting neurons.

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How the gene expression and the release of luteinizing hormone releasing hormone (LHRH) are controlled in LHRH-secreting neurons is a very crucial and still debated topic of the neuroendocrinology. Several observations present in literature have recently indicated that glial cells may influence the activity of hypothalamic LHRH-secreting neurons, via the release of growth factors. The present review will summarize data obtained in our laboratory indicating that: (a) type 1 astrocytes, a kind of glial cells, are able to release in vitro growth factors belonging to the transforming growth factors beta (TGFbeta) family (i.e. TGFbetal and TGFbeta2) which influence the gene expression and the release of the immortalized LHRH-secreting neurons; (b) glial decapeptide cells are also able to influence the steroid metabolism occurring in these neurons and in some cases this effect is exerted by TGFbeta1; (c) the mRNA levels of TGFbetal and of basic fibroblast growth factor (bFGF), another growth factor involved in the control of LHRH-secreting neurons, are modified in the rat hypothalamus during the different phases of the estrous cycle; (d) steroid hormones are able to modulate the gene expression of TGFbetal and bFGF both in vivo (i.e. in the whole hypothalamus of ovariectomized rats) and in vitro (cultures of type 1 astrocytes). On the basis of these results a possible functional correlation in the control of LHRH-secreting neurons between growth factors and gonadal steroids will be discussed and proposed.

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Isolation of novel developmental genes from human germ cell, oocyte and embryo cDNA by differential display.

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Due to the difficulties inherent in research on human embryos, almost nothing is known about genes active in human early development. Although the human genome project will provide resources that theoretically provide access to every human gene, those genes specific to human early development may be difficult to define. Also, by definition, genes specific to early development will not be represented in cDNA databases derived from human somatic cells. Yet these unknown human developmental genes are likely to be of key importance for several areas of human health, including assisted reproduction and contraception, embryo stem cell research and tissue transplantation, ageing and cancer. In order to identify and isolate these human developmental genes, we have prepared amplified cDNA from human primordial germ cells, oocytes and embryos, and used differential display to compare patterns of gene expression in these embryonic cells and in the cells of somatic tissues of a human fetus. This paper reviews the highly sensitive 10-week procedures used to create amplified cDNA representing expressed genes in a single cell and the use of differential display to identify developmental genes. Several such genes have been isolated, but their full-length sequences and function are yet to be elucidated. Genes active in human early development are expected to play key roles in the maintenance of the archetypal stem cell state, potential immortality and the invasiveness of trophectoderm and primordial germ cells. They represent candidate genes regulating these functions for targeting in clinical research in human reproduction, stem cell differentiation and cancer.

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Possible applications of conditionally immortalized tissue cell lines with differentiation functions.

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If all individual cell types of the body could be clonally isolated and stocked, similar to cDNA or genomic DNA libraries, they would be invaluable for studying the tissue and cellular functions. We developed a new method of establishing conditionally immortalized cell lines that retain differentiated cell functions similar to the original tissues, using temperature-sensitive (ts) similar virus 40 large tumor antigen gene transgenic animals. In this review the properties of such conditionally immortalized cell lines and their possible applications are discussed. Copyright 2001 Academic Press.

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Novel strategies for immortalization of human hepatocytes.

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Normal somatic cells have a finite life span due in part to their inability to maintain telomere length and chromosome stability. Immortalization strategies based on recent advances in telomere biology and aging research have led to the creation of genetically stable, nontumorigenic immortalized cell lines. Reversible immortalization, using the Cre-lox recombination and excision system, has been developed for the expansion of primary cells for cell based clinical therapies. Immortalized human hepatocyte cell lines with differentiated liver functions would find broad

lines with differentiated liver functions would find broad applications in biomedical research, especially for pharmacology and toxicology, artificial liver support, and hepatocyte transplantation. The biological basis of these new immortalization methods and their application to human hepatocytes is reviewed.



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A new approach to develop a biohybrid artificial liver using a tightly regulated human hepatocyte cell line.

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Currently patients with liver failure have been treated with a various liver support systems including a whole liver perfusion, a non-biological artificial liver, and a biohybrid artificial liver. In a hepatocyte-based transformed human liver tumor porcine hepatocytes or bioreactor, cells have been utilized because of the ease of preparation. According to the clinical data reported as of now, satisfactory results have not been obtained from the use of currently available liver support devices. One of the problems is limited availability of primary human liver cells for developing live support systems because of the shortage of hepatocytes were resolve this issue, human liver. To human immortalized with a retroviral vector SSR#69 which contained the genes of simian virus 40 large T antigen (SV40Tag) and herpes simplex virus-thymidine kinase (HSV-TK). One of the immortal cell lines, NKNT-3, showed the gene expression of differentiated liver functions, grew steadily in chemically defined serum-free CS-C medium, and doubled in number in about 48 hours. Essentially unlimited availability of NKNT-3 cells supports their clinical use for liver support devices. high density culture of NKNT-3 cells in a To realize liver device, we have developed cellulose microspheres bioartificial contain cell adhesive GRGDS (Gly-Arg-Gly-Asp-Ser) (CMS) which peptides. Within 24 hours after starting a stirring suspension culture, immobilized NKNT-3 cells . An electron efficiently GRGDS-CMS microscopic examination demonstrated that NKNT-3 cells attached on GRGDS-CMS had well-developed mitochondria, rough reticulums, and villous extensions. In this article, we review the history of extracorporeal liver support systems and describe an attractive strategy for developing a novel extracorporeal liver assist device using NKNT-3 cells and GRGDS-coated cellulose microspheres.

6/3, AB/13 (Item 13 from file: 155) DIALOG(R) File 155: MEDLINE(R)

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The hamster polyomavirus -- a brief review of recent knowledge.

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The hamster polyomavirus (HaPV) was first described in 1967 as a virus associated with skin epithelioma of the Syrian hamster. The tumors appear spontaneously in a hamster colony bred in Berlin-Buch (HaB). Virus

particles isolated from skin epitheliomas cause lymphoma and leukemia when injected into newborn hamsters from a distinct colony bred in Potsdam, Germany (HaP). The viral genome has been totally sequenced and the overall genetic organization establishes HaPV as a member of the polyomaviruses. HaPV is a second example of an middle T (MT) antigen encoding polyomavirus and nucleotide sequence homologies designates the mouse polyomavirus (Py) as the closest relative. Lymphomas induced by HaPV in HaP hamsters do not contain virus particles but instead accumulate different amounts of nonrandomly deleted free and/or integrated viral genomes. Transgenic mice produced by microinjection of HaPV DNA into the pronucleus of fertilized eggs of Gat: NMRI mice developed both, epitheliomas and lymphomas. Both tumor types contain extrachromosomal DNA. HaPV DNA was found to replicate in hamster lymphoid and fibroblast cell lines. Fully reproductive cycles could be detected only in GD36 lymphoblastic leukemia cells. HaPV carries the full transforming properties of a polyomavirus in vitro. Immortalization of primary rat cells is essentially carried out by the HaPV large T (LT) antigen and coexpression of HaPV MT and HaPV small T (ST) antigen is required for full transformation of rat fibroblasts. The preferential binding of HaPV MT to c-Fyn, a Src family kinase, has been proposed as a mechanism leading to lymphoid malignancies. Heterologous expression of HaPV-VP1 allowed the formation of virus like particles (VLPs) resembling HaPV particles. The high flexibility of HaPV-VP1 for insertion of foreign peptides offers a broad range of potential applications, especially in vaccine development.

6/3,AB/14 (Item 14 from file: 155)
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Spontaneous neoplastic regression: the significance of apoptosis.

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In mammalian cells, neoplastic transformation has a direct relationship with the expression of oncogenes, the production of certain growth factors and with the mutation, loss or simple inactivation of the tumor suppressor genes. Genes for suppression of the function of development of the malignant immunophenotype, as well as inhibitory growth factors have regulatory functions within the normal processes of cell and differentiation . Telomerase (a ribonucleoprotein division activation is frequently observed in various types of polymerase) neoplastic cell transformation. Telomerase activation is regarded as essential for cell immortalization and its inhibition may result in spontaneous regression (SR) of neoplasms. SR of neoplasms occurs when the malignant tumor mass partially or completely disappears without any treatment or as a result of a therapy considered inadequate to influence systemic neoplastic disease. This definition makes it clear that the term SR applies to neoplasms in which the malignant disease is not necessarily cured, and to cases where the regression may not be complete or permanent. A number of possible mechanisms of SR are reviewed, with the understanding that no single mechanism can completely account for this application of the newest immunological, molecular phenomenon. The genetic insights for more individualized anticancer biological and immunotherapy (biotherapy) is also discussed. In conclusion, of all the possible mechanisms of SR of neoplasms, programmed cell death (PCD) or apoptosis is involved in each. The immunological mechanism is probably the main effector mechanism of SR in human neoplasms with its trigger being

tumor, such as with various The treatments of the apoptosis. anti-neoplastic drugs or radiation or immunotherapy, all include the basic mechanism of programmed cell death or apoptosis. Without apoptosis, there is practically no tumor regression, none of any kind.

6/3,AB/15 (Item 15 from file: 155) DIALOG(R) File 155:MEDLINE(R)

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Which hepatocyte will it be? Hepatocyte choice for bioartificial liver support systems.

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Liver failure, notwithstanding advances in medical management, remains a cause of considerable morbidity and mortality in the developed world. Although bioartificial liver (BAL) support systems offer the potential of significant therapeutic benefit for such patients, many issues relating to their use are still to be resolved. In this review, these issues are examined in terms of the functions required, the cells of choice in such a system, and the most appropriate environment to optimize the function of such cells. The major functions identified to date for a BAL are ammonia detoxification and biotransformation of toxic compounds, although this somewhat belies the complexity of the functions required. Two practical choices for cell type within such a system are xenogenic hepatocytes and immortalized human hepatocyte lines. Both these choices have drawbacks, such as the transmission of zoonoses and malignant infiltration, respectively. Finally, improvements in culture conditions, such as supplemented media, biodegradable scaffolds, and coculture, offer possibility of prolonging the differentiated function of the hepatocytes in a BAL.

6/3,AB/16 (Item 16 from file: 155) DIALOG(R) File 155: MEDLINE(R)

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The mammary gland: a unique organ for the study of development and tumorigenesis.

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The microanatomy and development of the mammary gland are unique and a reflection of its function to synthesize and deliver milk to the newborn offspring. The uniqueness of the mammary gland resides in several factors. First, the mammary parenchyma undergoes the vast majority of its growth postpubertally, thus enabling experiments on development to be performed in the juvenile or adult and presenting opportunities for experimental

manipulation of the gland not available with other organs. On the basis of this characteristic, the fat pad transplantation method was developed, which resulted in the elaboration of important concepts in senescence, immortalization, and preneoplasia. Second, the accessibility of the gland and the ductal organization allows delivery and localization of specific molecules to mammary parenchyma cells, the cells which are the site of origin of neoplastic development. Third, the organ is the target of viral, chemical, and physical carcinogens, allowing development of unique and complex models for neoplastic development. Finally, the complexity of hormone and growth factor regulation of mammary gland function allows a sophisticated approach to the study of hormone action. The purpose of this review is to illustrate some unique properties of the gland which provide the basis for specialized approaches to developmental, neoplastic, and functional problems.

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Transgenic animal models of human papillomavirus-dependent disease (Review).

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Human papillomaviruses (HPVs) are DNA tumor viruses that induce hyperproliferative lesions in cutaneous and mucosal epithelia. A wide variety of studies implicate the viral E6 and E7 oncoproteins as cell

immortalizing agents, and show that these proteins work, respectively, by interfering with the function of the p53 and pRb tumor suppressor genes. Most of these studies have been performed using cell culture models. However, recently, a variety of in vivo mouse model systems have been developed for the study of HPV-dependent disease. These models use tissue-specific promoters to deliver HPV oncoprotein expression to specific body sites. Using this strategy, mouse models have been designed for the study of cancer progression in epithelia, and additional models have been designed to use E6 and E7, respectively, to probe the role of p53 and pRb on tissue differentiation and function. In the present report, we summarize the literature describing these systems, and highlight some of the important findings derived from these

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Temporal expression of neuronal connexins during hippocampal ontogeny.

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Communication through gap junction channels provides a major signaling mechanism during early brain histogenesis, a developmental time during which neural progenitor cells are inexcitable and do not express responses to the major CNS neurotransmitters. channel ligand-gated Expression of different gap junction types during neurogenesis may therefore define intercellular pathways for transmission of developmentally relevant molecules. To better understand the molecular mechanism(s) by which growth and differentiation of neurons are modulated by gap junction channels, we have been examining the developmental effects of a specific set of cytokines on differentiation and gap junction mouse embryonic immortalized conditionally expression a in hippocampal neuronal progenitor cell line (MK31). When multipotent MK31 cells are in an uncommitted state, they uniformly express the neuroepithelial intermediate filament class VI marker, nestin, are strongly coupled by gap junctions composed of connexin43 ((Cx43)) and express connexin45 (Cx45) at the mRNA level. As these cells undergo neuronal lineage commitment and exit from cell cycle, they begin to express the early neurofilament marker, NF66, and coupling strength and expression of Cx43 begin to decline with concurrent expression of other connexin proteins, including Cx26, Cx33, Cx36, Cx40 and Cx45. Terminal neuronal differentiation is heralded by the expression of more advanced neurofilament proteins, increased morphologic maturation, the elaboration of inward currents and action potentials that possess mature physiological properties, and changing profiles of expression of connexin subtypes, including upregulation of Cx36 expression. These important developmental transitions are regulated by a complex network of cell cycle checkpoints. To begin to examine the precise roles of gap junction proteins in traversing these developmental checkpoints and in thus regulating neurogenesis, we have focused on individual members of two classes of genes involved in these seminal events: ID (inhibitor of differentiation) -1 GAS (growth arrest-specific gene) 5. When MK31 cells were maintained in an uncommitted state, levels of ID-1 mRNA were high and GAS5 transcripts were essentially undetectable. Application of cytokines that promote neuronal lineage commitment and cell cycle exit resulted in down-regulation of ID-1 and upregulation of GAS5 transcripts, whereas promoted terminal neuronal that paradigms additional cytokine differentiation resulted in the delayed down-regulation of GAS5 mRNA. Stable MK31 transfectants were generated for ID-1 and GAS5. In basal was enhanced in the ID-1 proliferation cellular conditions, transfectants and inhibited in the GAS5 transfectants when compared with control MK31 cells. When cytokine-mediated neurogenesis was examined in these transfected cell lines, constitutive expression of ID-1 inhibited and constitutive expression of GAS5 enhanced initial and terminal stages of neuronal differentiation, with evidence that terminal neuronal maturation in both transfectant lines was associated with decreased cellular viability, possibly due to the presence of cell cycle-associated developmental signals. These conflicting experimental reagents will prove to be valuable experimental tools to help define the functional interrelationships between changing profiles of connexin protein expression and cell cycle regulation during neuronal ontogeny in the mammalian brain. The present review summarizes the current state of research involving the temporal expression of such connexin types in differentiating hippocampal neurons and speculates on the possible role of these intercellular channels in the development and plasticity of the nervous system. In addition, we describe the functional properties and expression pattern of the newly discovered neuronal-specific gap junctional protein, Cx36, in the developing mouse fetal hippocampus and in the rat retina and brain.

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The roles of telomeres and telomerase in cellular immortalization and the development of cancer.

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Normal human cells have a limited lifespan in culture called the Hayflick limit. Recent studies have indicated that telomere shortening is one of the important meters utilized by cells to determine the Hayflick limit, and that activation of a mechanism to maintain telomere length is essential for cells to become immortal. It is generally believed that cells must have a means to maintain telomeres in order to progress to malignancy. Most cancers do this by activating an enzyme called telomerase which adds telomeric repeats to the telomere ends. Recently, expression of this enzyme has been shown to extend the lifespan of cells. This review discusses the research that led to the discovery of telomerase, the characteristics of telomerase complex, and how recent and future advances in the telomerase field may lead to better diagnostic and treatment protocols for many different cancer types.

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Genetic, epigenetic, dysgenetic and non-genetic mechanisms in tumorigenesis. II. Further delineation of the rate limiting step.

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A not yet understood phenomenon in carcinogenesis is presented by the enormous species-specific and age-specific differences in cellular susceptibility to malignant transformation. Murine cells are 100,000 times fold more susceptible than human cells. A previous review article suggested the promotion phase as the key for this difference. Presently, a further analysis of literature data indicates that promotion results in the dedifferentiation of cells, which, in initiated cells, leads to an imbalanced regenerative growth of stem-cell -like cells . As aging results in the loss of adaptive functions and in a decreased response to growth stimuli, dedifferentiation of old cells is supposed to increase the imbalance of the regenerative growth for initiated cells and consequently to enhance the chance for immortalization of these cells. As immortalization is accompanied by chromosomal dysgenetics, malignant conversion by the appearance of secondary genetic events during multistage carcinogenesis is not just a matter of random chance for additional mutations, but is determined to some degree by the condition of the initiated target cell and to the species to which the target cell belongs.

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Herpes virus latency in sensory ganglia -- a comparison with endogenous neuronal gene expression.

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Central to infection by a majority of DNA viruses is the expression of encoded proteins that modify cell cycle. Viruses such as SV40 and Adenovirus viruses encode proteins that interact directly, or indirectly, with key cell cycle proteins such as CBP300 and the retinoblastoma gene product. However, neurons do not have a cell cycle as we generally describe it and this is also reflected in the difficulty in obtaining immortalised neuronal cultures. The replication strategies of viruses that infect post-mitotic cells such as neurons may be different from infection of other somatic cells. The life cycle for viral latency or slow infection of neurons appears to involve silencing or restricting expression of the viral genome until such times as dictated by the environment. These signals from the environment usually reflect cell stress, otherwise the cell appears to tolerate the existence of the virus genome. We will review the genomic structure of alphaherpesviruses in neurons and transcriptional control mechanisms that may regulate expression. Where appropriate we will contrast and compare virus and endogenous neuronal gene expression.

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Immortalized kidney cells derived from transgenic mice harboring L-type pyruvate kinase and vimentin promoters. Vandewalle A

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Targeted oncogenesis in transgenic mice, where an oncogene is placed under the control of the regulatory sequences of a cell-specific gene, has been used to derive several new types of differentiated nonepithelial and epithelial cell lines. This review summarizes the properties of cell lines derived from proximal, distal and collecting duct cells. The cells were obtained from kidneys of transgenic mice harboring the 5' regulatory sequences of the L-type pyruvate kinase or vimentin genes controlling the expression of either the large T and little t antigens or the temperature-sensitive large T antigen. Copyright 1999 S. Karger AG, Basel

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Immortalized kidney epithelial cells as tools for hormonally regulated ion transport studies.

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The development of transgenic mice carrying the simian virus-40 large T antigen gene or the temperature-sensitive simian virus-40 large T antigen gene, either alone or placed under the control of the 5'-regulatory regions of tissue-specific or ubiquitous genes, has permitted the production of differentiated, polarized kidney epithelial cells. This review covers the immortalized cell lines issued from the various parts of the renal tubule and, in particular, the recently established collecting duct cell lines that have been used as ex-vivo cell models to analyze the regulation of ion transport processes by hormones.

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Prospects for the clinical application of neural transplantation with the use of conditionally immortalized neuroepithelial stem cells.

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transplantation has made a relatively successful Although neural transition from the animal laboratory to human neurosurgery for the treatment of Parkinson's disease, the use of human embryonic brain tissue as the source of transplants raises difficult ethical and practical problems. These are likely to impede the widespread use of this otherwise promising therapy across the range of types of brain damage to which the results of animal experiments suggest its potential applicability. Various alternative approaches are reviewed briefly, aimed at developing sources of tissue for transplantation that can be maintained in vitro until needed, so obviating the requirement for fresh embryonic tissue at each surgery. Particularly promising are conditionally occasion of immortalized neuroepithelial stem cell lines in which the immortalizing gene is downregulated upon transplantation into a host brain. We describe experiments from our laboratory with the use of cells of this kind, the multipotent MHP clonal cell lines, derived from the developing hippocampus of a transgenic mouse harbouring a temperature-sensitive oncogene. Implanted into the hippocampus of rats and marmosets with damage to the CA1 cell field, the MHP36 line gave rise to healthy surviving grafts and to essentially complete recovery of cognitive function. Postmortem study of the implanted rat brains indicated that MHP36 cells migrate to the region of damage, adopt both neuronal (pyramidal) and glial phenotypes in vivo, and reconstitute the normal laminated appearance of the CA1 cell field. We have previously shown that, when primary differentiated foetal tissue is used as the source of grafts in rats with CA1 damage, there is a stringent requirement for replacement with homotypic CA1 cells. We interpret our results as showing that the MHP36 cell line responds to putative signals

associated with damage to the hippocampus and takes up a phenotype appropriate for the repair of this damage; they therefore open the way to the development of a novel strategy with widespread applicability to the treatment of the diseased or damaged human brain.

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Genetic regulatory elements introduced into neural stem and progenitor cell populations.

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The genetic manipulation of neural cells has advantage in both medicine. Its utility has provided a clearer and understanding of how the survival, connectivity, and chemical phenotype of neurones is regulated during, and after, embryogenesis. Much of this achievement has come from the recent generation by genetic means of reproducible and representative supplies of precursor cells which can then be analyzed in a variety of paradigms. Furthermore, advances made in the clinical use of transplantation for neurodegenerative disease have created a demand for an abundant, efficacious and safe supply of neural cells for grafting. This review describes how genetic methods, in juxtaposition to epigenetic means, have been used advantageously to achieve this goal. In particular, we detail how gene transfer techniques developed to enable cell immortalization, been have manipulation of cell differentiation and commitment, and the controlled selection of cells for purification or safety purposes. In now also possible to genetically modify antigen addition, it is presentation on cell surfaces. Finally, there is detailed the transfer of therapeutic products to discrete parts of the central nervous system (CNS), using neural cells as elegant and sophisticated delivery vehicles. In conclusion, once the epigenetic and genetic controls over neural cell production, differentiation and death have been more fully determined, providing a mixture of hard-wired elements and more flexibly expressed characteristics becomes feasible. Optimization of the contributions and interactions of these two controlling systems should lead to improved cell supplies for neurotransplantation.

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Review: Theileria schizonts induce fundamental alterations in their host cells.

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The sporozoites of Theileria annulata and T. parva invade bovine leukocytes, where they differentiate into schizonts. The latter can

immortalize and induce fundamental changes in their host cells. T. annulata infects mainly major histocompatibility complex class II cells , whereas T. parva preferentially transforms T-lymphocytes, which proliferate continuously without the need for exogenously added growth factors. Most of the cell lines appear to be independent of a growth factor but may express several cytokines that influence the outcome of the disease. The mechanisms underlying this transformation are not well The infected cells show increased activity of casein understood. II and Jun NH2-terminal kinase (JNK), whereas extracellular kinase signal-related kinase 1 and 2 and P38 are not activated. In addition, several transcriptional factors such as NFkB and AP-1 are activated. It has been postulated that parasite proteins either expressed on the surface of the schizonts or secreted into the host cell cytoplasm may interfere with the signal-transduction pathway of the host cells. A possible candidate may the casein kinase II homologue that was identified in schizonts of both T. annulata and T. parva.

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The v-myc oncogene.

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v-myc is the viral homolog of c-myc transduced by several acute transforming retroviruses, many of which encode this gene as a Gag-Myc fusion protein. The v-myc oncogene can transform several lineages of mammalian and avian cells either alone or in cooperation with other oncogenes. While the Gag portion of the Gag-Myc fusion protein and the appear to be dispensable for signal each localization nuclear transformation, the N- and C-termini of the Myc sequence have been found to be essential for transformation. All v-myc genes contain point mutations which seem to confer a greater potency to v-myc in the process of transformation, proliferation, and apoptosis. In v-myc-transformed myelomonocytic cells, secondary events occur, such as the expression of colony stimulating factor-1 (CSF-1) which play a critical role in immortalization and subsequent tumor progression. Inhibition of the autocrine loop of CSF-1 was found to induce apoptosis in the immortalized cells . While overexpression of v-Myc blocks terminal differentiation of hematopoietic cells, this is not sufficient to block the differentiation of certain neural and skeletal muscle cells. Recent developments on the effects of v-myc on cell growth, transformation, differentiation and apoptosis are discussed in this review.

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The Myc oncoprotein: a critical evaluation of transactivation and target gene regulation.

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Mutations which disrupt the regulation or expression level of the c-myc gene are among the most common found in human and animal cancers (reviewed in ref. Cole, 1986; Henriksson and Luscher, 1996; Marcu et Ectopic expression studies define numerous biological 1992). al., transformation, gene, including C-MYC activities of the immortalization, blockage of cell differentiation and induction of apoptosis (Askew et al., 1991; Cole, 1986; Evan and Littlewood, 1993; Freytag et al., 1990; Henriksson and Luscher, 1996; Marcu et al., 1992). Furthermore, c-myc is required for efficient progression through the cell cycle (Goruppi et al., 1994; Prochownik et al., 1988; Yokoyama and Imamoto, 1987), although recent studies indicate that it is not absolutely essential (Mateyak et al., 1997). This fascinating array of biological activities makes the c-myc gene one of the most intriguing oncogenes and presents the challenging question of how a single gene can manifest so many different effects. The c-Myc protein exhibits sequence-specific DNA binding when dimerized with its partner Max, and DNA binding is mediated_through the basic region, which recognizes the core sequence CACGTG (Berberich et al., 1992; Blackwell et al., 1993; Blackwood and Eisenman, 1991; Prendergast and Ziff, 1991; Prendergast et al., 1991), but exhibits somewhat higher affinity for the more extended sequence ACCACGTGGT (Berberich et al., 1992; Blackwell et al., 1993; Halazonetis and Kandil, 1991). There are three closely related Myc family proteins (c-Myc, N-Myc and L-Myc), each with documented oncogenic potential (Birrer et al., Schwab et al., 1985; Yancopoulos et al., 1985) and similar DNA binding properties (Mukherjee et al., 1992). For simplicity, we will use the term Myc to refer to all three proteins, but delineate any distinct activities where they apply. The goal of this review is to discuss Myc as a transcriptional activator and critically evaluate the evidence for transactivation of specific target genes as direct downstream effectors. Since excellent comprehensive reviews on Myc have been published recently (Facchini and Penn, 1998; Henriksson and Luscher, 1996), we will focus on the latest observations that offer mechanistic insight into transactivation and oncogenic transformation.

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Efficacy of grafted immortalized dopamine neurons in an animal model of parkinsonism: a review.

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Dopamine (DA) deficiency is one of the primary lesions in the pathogenesis of Parkinson disease (PD). Because of long-term toxicity of L-DOPA therapy, the grafting of fetal mesencephalic tissue containing dopamine neurons or homogeneous populations of DA neurons into striatum appears to be rational. Fetal tissue transplants have many problems which include legal (in some countries), ethical, paucity of tissue availability, heterogenicity of cell populations, and the presence of



antigen-presenting cells that are responsible for rejection of allogeneic grafts. In order to resolve the above problems, we have established immortalized DA neurons from fetal rat mesencephalon by inserting the large T-antigen (LTa) gene of the SV40 virus into the cells . A clone of DA neurons (1RB3AN27) was isolated, characterized, and tested in 6-hydroxydopamine (6-OHDA)-lesioned rats (a model of PD). These cells divided with a doubling time of about 26 h, expressed the LTa gene, and contained the tyrosine hydroxylase and dopamine transporter respective mRNAs, which became elevated upon proteins and their nontumorigenic and differentiation. These cells were improved the symptoms of neurological deficits and nonimmunogenic in 6-OHDA-lesioned rats. (methamphetamine-induced rotation) differentiated DA neurons were more effective than undifferentiated ones. These studies suggest that immortalized DA neurons generated in vitro by LTa gene insertion may be used in transplant therapy without fear of tumor formation or rejection. Copyright 1998 Academic Press.

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09946635 98396766 PMID: 9728594 B-cell development and maturation.

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Approximately 85% of all non-Hodgkin's lymphomas arise from cells of the B lineage. Sequential stages of B-cell development have been defined by molecular markers, and these markers can be used to reclassify representing arrest and maturational malignancies as lymphoid immortalization at specific points in B-cell ontogeny. Several of the factors controlling the ordered rearrangement and expression of the immunoglobulin (Ig) genes have been identified. Signals generated by intermediates in Ig gene rearrangement, as well as by the complete Ig molecule, have been found to be critical in guiding early B-cell development. The processes of peripheral B-cell activation, maturation, terminal and affinity antigenic differentiation are also highly regulated. The molecular mechanisms responsible for both promoting and attenuating B-cell (humoral) immune responses have been increasingly well defined. This review summarizes some aspects of the current understanding of normal Bcell development, maturation, activation, and death, focusing on the factors implicated in regulating progression through these stages.

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In vitro effects of retinoids on the proliferation and differentiation features of Epstein-Barr virus-immortalized B lymphocytes.

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Retinoids have been shown to be effective in the chemoprevention and treatment of certain human malignancies. In this review, we will summarize our recent results concerning the effects of retinoids on the and differentiation of Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) proliferation immortalized lymphoblastoid B-cell lines (LCLs), an in vitro lymphoproliferative disorders arising EBV-related model immunosuppressed hosts. Retinoids proved to be powerful inhibitors of the proliferation of EBV-infected LCLs in vitro, with 13-cis-retinoic acid (RA), all-trans-RA, and 9-cis-RA being the most effective compounds. Of note, retinoid-induced growth arrest in vitro appears irreversible at drug concentrations (10(-6) mol/L) which may be reached in man after oral systemic therapy. The antiproliferative activity exerted by retinoids on LCLs is a generalized phenomenon usually associated with a progressive in GO/G1 phases of treated cells. The strong accumulation upregulation of p27Kip1 invariably observed in cells exposed to retinoids may contribute to the decreased number of cycling cells, probably by inhibiting the transition from the G1 to S phase. Moreover, we indicating that the antiproliferative effects of evidence obtained the induction of dependent on not retinoids are differentiation of EBV-immortalized B lymphocytes. In fact, the modifications induced by retinoids relative to LCL morphology, phenotype (downregulation of CD19, HLA-DR, and s-Ig, and upregulation of CD38 and c-Ig), and IgM production were highly variable among the lines tested and often only slightly relevant. Finally, the antiproliferative activity exerted by retinoids on LCLs is not mediated by a direct modulation of viral latent antigens, since EBNA-2 and LMP- downregulation was a late event detected only in some cell lines. These results indicate that may be useful in the medical treatment of EBV-related retinoids lymphoproliferative disorders of immunosuppressed patients, particularly in the earlier phases of these diseases.

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Cell kinetics of prostate exocrine and neuroendocrine epithelium and their differential interrelationship: new perspectives.

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The prostate gland consists of a complex ductal system lined with exocrine basal and luminal cells, and neuroendocrine epithelial This paper reviews the histologic and molecular cells. cell biologic characteristics of these cells, in normal adult tissue, during prostate morphogenesis, and in the development of benign and malignant neoplastic conditions. Expression of differentiation markers, as well as proliferation and apoptosis markers, growth factors and associated receptors, and abnormalities in genes and chromosomes are that (1) pluripotent reviewed. Accumulating indicate data immortal stem cells are located in the basal cell compartment of the prostate; (2) there is a subpopulation of epithelial cells in the prostate gland (intermediate cells) that have both structural and functional characteristics common to basal and luminal cells, which may be identified in various conditions; and prostate NE

cells may have the same common origin as other exocrine cells, and share the same differentiation pathway. A stem cell model is proposed in which both exocrine and endocrine cells are derived from a subpopulation of basal cells (stem cell) that give rise to luminal cells through intermediate cells (pluripotent amplifying cells). These cells are also probably highly implicated in the early development of prostate benign and malignant neoplasia.

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Review of alterations of the cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor INK4 family genes p15, p16, p18 and p19 in human leukemia-lymphoma cells.

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The cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitors known as p15, p16, p18 and p19 have been suggested as candidates for tumor suppressor genes. The main genetic alterations are deletions (bi- or monoallelic) or 5' CpG island methylation of p15 and p16; very few cases or cell lines had p18 or hypermethylation. Hypermethylation and homozygous p19 deletions or suppressor genes establish a new paradigm of deletions of tumor by lack of expression, in contrast to the previously inactivation identified tumor suppressors which are predominantly inactivated by point mutations followed by loss of the wild-type allele. Here, the literature data on alterations of this gene family in more than 4700 primary cases of leukemia or lymphoma and some 320 continuous leukemia-lymphoma cell are summarized. Among hematopoietic malignancies, the highest lines frequencies of p15del and p16del were seen in acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) (>30%) with striking rates in T-ALL (>50%), but also high rates in B cell precursor (BCP)-ALL (>20%); the rates of deletions in chronic lymphoid leukemia (CLL), multiple myeloma, acute and chronic myeloid leukemia (AML and CML), and myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) were rather low, only some B cell and T cell lymphomas showed increased frequencies. Results are quite different with regard to the second mode of inactivation, hypermethylation of the promoter region. Here, p15 is most often inactivated, at particularly high frequencies in the disorders lacking any p15/p16 deletions: 40-80% p15met in AML, MDS and multiple myeloma. Also p15met rates in BCP- and T-ALL cases were high (c. 40%). There is controversy concerning the prognostic impact of p15 and p16 aberrations with some studies describing a significant correlation between inactivation of these genes and poor prognosis, while most others did not detect any prognostic relevance, at least in pediatric ALL; there may be a worse prognosis for adults with B or T cell lymphomas. Despite the small number of cases studied, paired sequential analyses suggested that disease progression is associated with loss of p15/p16 activity in a certain percentage of adult patients. p15del/p16del and p15met/p16met were also detected in the large panel of leukemia-lymphoma cell lines studied. In general, the results in cell lines reproduce the data seen in primary cells with the important difference that the rates of p15/p16 inactivation are clearly higher in the cultured cells compared with the freshly explanted cells. Retrovirus- or electroporation-mediated ectopic gene transfer of p16 wild-type into pl6-deficient cell lines led to growth inhibition, arrest in G1

(without apoptosis) and occasionally to differentiation, suggesting that the malignant phenotype of p16-/- cell lines can, at least partially, be reversed by restoring p16 gene expression. A striking inverse correlation between the absence of p16 (due to deletion) and presence of wild-type retinoblastoma gene was observed in cell lines confirming a common growth suppressor pathway; no comparable relationship of p16 inactivation with p53 was detected. Paired analysis of cell lines and corresponding primary cell material showed that in all instances tested both populations carried the same gene configuration of p15 and p16. Thus, p15del or p16del did not occur during establishment of the cell lines or during prolonged culture. It is likely that p15 or p16 deletions already acquired in vivo provide a dramatic growth advantage for the immortalization process in vitro, thus increasing the success rate for cell line establishment which is commonly extremely difficult. In conclusion, the present review suggests an involvement of the p15 and p16 tumor suppressor genes in leukemo- and lymphomagenesis. Future studies will determine their exact role in the development and progression of hematopoietic neoplasms. These genes may represent interesting targets for new therapeutic strategies.

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In vitro systems and cultured cells as specimens for X-ray microanalysis.

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In vitro systems and cultured cells are recognized as useful research, including X-ray areas of biomedical systems in many microanalysis. To be reliable, in an vitro system should have an elemental composition close to that of the tissue in situ, react in the same way to stimuli, and retain the in situ regulation of ion transport. In the present paper, four of the most commonly used in vitro systems will be reviewed: incubated tissue slices (liver and pancreas), isolated glands (submandibular gland acini, sweat glands), primary cell cultures (sweat glands, endometrium), and cell lines (the colon cancer cell line T84, immortalized sweat gland cells). Incubation of tissue slices of liver in Krebs-Ringers buffer caused a significant increase in Na and Cl and a decrease in K. Initially, these changes were also observed in the pancreas, but here the values gradually returned to normal. Isolated submandibular gland acini, and isolated sweat gland ducts and coils react in a similar way to stimulation as their in situ counterparts. In primary cultures of coil cells, however, part of the cell population acquires different ion transport characteristics. Technically simplest is the use of cell lines originating from cancer cells (e.g., the T84 cell line) and immortalized cell lines. X-ray microanalysis not only confirms data on ion transport obtained with other techniques, but adds the possibility to investigate the presence of subpopulations within a culture.

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The spontaneous regression of neoplasms in mammals: possible mechanisms and their application in immunotherapy.

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mammalian cells , neoplastic transformation is directly associated with the expression of oncogenes, with the mutation, loss or simple inactivation of the function of tumor suppressor genes, and the production of certain growth factors. Genes for suppression of the development of the malignant immunophenotype, as well as inhibitory growth factors have regulatory functions within the normal processes of cell division and differentiation. Telomerase (a ribonucleoprotein frequently observed in various cancers. polymerase) activation is for regarded as essential cell Telomerase activation is immortalization and its inhibition may result in the spontaneous regression (SR) of neoplasms. SR of neoplasms occurs when the malignant tumor mass partially or completely disappears without any treatment or as a result of a therapy considered inadequate to influence systemic neoplastic disease. This definition makes it clear that the term SR applies to neoplasms in which the malignant disease is not necessarily cured, and to cases where the regression may be neither complete nor permanent. A number of possible mechanisms of SR are reviewed, with the understanding that no single mechanism can completely account for this phenomenon. The application of the newest immunological, molecular biological and genetic insights for more individualized anticancer immunotherapy (biotherapy) is also discussed.

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Telomerase activity in benign and malignant thyroid diseases.

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Telomerase, an enzyme associated with cellular BACKGROUND: immortality, is expressed by most malignant cells and is inactive in most normal somatic cells, with the excitation of proliferative stem cells, male germ cells, and activated lymphocytes. The measurement of telomerase activity in clinically obtained tissue samples may provide useful information as both a diagnostic and prognostic marker. In this study, we sought to determine whether telomerase activity might prove helpful in the assessment of benign and malignant thyroid tumors. METHODS: A modified, semiquantitative polymerase chain reaction-based telomeric repeat amplification protocol assay was used for detection of telomerase activity in 59 samples obtained at thyroidectomy, including 15 thyroid cancers, 22 benign thyroid diseases, and 22 adjacent normal thyroid tissues. RESULTS: Four of 13 differentiated thyroid (30%) and 2 of 2 medullary carcinomas (100%) expressed carcinomas telomerase activity. Unexpectedly, we also detected activity in 3 of 22

(14%) adjacent normal thyroid tissues and 6 of 22 (28%) benign thyroid diseases. Pathologic review of the telomerase-positive benign specimens revealed that many contained extensive lymphoid infiltrates with germinal centers (six of nine, 67%), as did two of four telomerase-positive papillary carcinomas. CONCLUSIONS: In contradistinction to other epithelial carcinomas, telomerase does not appear to be frequently reactivated in differentiated thyroid carcinomas.

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Production of conditionally immortalised cell lines from a transgenic mouse.

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This review describes the H2kbtsA58 transgenic mouse (Immortomouse) and its application to the production of conditionally immortalised cell lines from sensory epithelia within the mammalian inner ear. Established cell lines should overcome many of the technical difficulties associated with experimental procedures in auditory and vestibular research. These include the limited amount of tissue available and the relatively complex and laborious dissection. Conditional immortalisation should also allow essential studies on the molecular and cellular mechanisms that govern both the differentiation of sensory cells and the development of sensory epithelia.

6/3,AB/38 (Item 38 from file: 155)
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Telomerase in human development and cancer.

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A potentially rate-limiting step in cancer progression is the conversion of a normal human cell into one capable of indefinite proliferation. There are at least two different cellular mechanisms that must be overcome before immortalization occurs. The first step generally requires inactivation of the pathways involving two tumor-suppressor genes, p53 and pRB, and the second step almost always involves the reactivation of the ribonucleoprotein enzyme telomerase. Telomerase synthesizes hexameric repeats (TTAGGG) onto telomeric ends, thereby compensating for telomeric losses that in its absence occurs at each cell division. Telomerase is present in human embryonic tissues, is not detected in most adult tissues, but is upregulated or reactivated in almost 90% of all human cancers. In the present article, I review the telomerase during human theory of aging and cancer including the roles of telomerase during human

development, in differentiation, and in cancer. Research into the regulation of this enzyme may lead to methods to facilitate the accurate diagnosis of cancer and to the development of novel antitelomerase cancer therapeutics.

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Oncogene-initiated aberrant signaling engenders the metastatic phenotype: synergistic transcription factor interactions are targets for cancer therapy.

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Record type: Completed Certain p21GTPases (notably Ras) and some of their guanine nucleotide exchange factors (e.g., Ost, Dbl, Tiam) and downstream mediators (e.g., Raf, Myc) have the potential to promote the development of malignancies because they can enhance the transcription of genes that foster the tumorigenic and metastatic phenotype. Among these are genes that stimulate cell proliferation, confer immortality, and facilitate the invasion of normal tissues. Oncogenes upstream of Ras-cell surface receptors such as ErbB2/Neu, Met, or Trk (and their ligands), and nonreceptor cytoplasmic protein tyrosine kinases such as Src and Abl-not only can act through Ras but also contribute additional signals. This review presents a synopsis of our understanding of signaling pathways controlled by the p21GTPases, with a focus on transcription factors regulated by the pathways. Mutations in one or more of the elements in these signaling pathways are invariably found in cancer cells. Crosstalk among the pathways may explain how some forms of stress can contribute to the development of a malignancy. Abnormal signaling leads to and permanently structures altered (i.e., cytoskeletal modified self-sustaining or epigenetic) transcription of target genes. A common therne is that genes whose transcription is elevated to the greatest extent by Ras often have in their promoters juxtaposed binding sites for two different transcription factors (particularly those in the Fos/Jun, CREB/ATF, NFkB, and Ets families) each of which is activated and such that together they synergize to augment transcription substantially. Some of these transcription factors can also act as oncogenes in certain cell types when appropriately modified and expressed. This unifying theme among many different cancers suggests that strategies to restore the signaling pathways or to suppress synergistic the balance among interactions between transcription factors may prove broadly useful in reversing the malignant phenotype.

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Cognitive deficits induced by global cerebral ischaemia: prospects for transplant therapy.

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Global ischaemia induced by interruption of cerebral blood flow results in damage to vulnerable cells, notably in the CA1 and hilar hippocampal fields, and is frequently associated with memory deficits. This review examines cognitive deficits that occur in animal models of global ischaemia in rats and monkeys, the extent to which these deficits are associated with CA1 cell loss, and the evidence for functional recovery following transplants of foetal CA1 cells and grafts of immortalised precursor cells . conditionally In rats, impairments are seen most consistently in tasks of spatial learning and spatial working memory dependent on use of allocentric environmental cues. In monkeys, ischaemic deficits have been shown to a moderate extent in delayed object recognition tasks, but animals with a selective excitotoxic CA1 lesion show a profound impairment in conditional discrimination tasks, suggesting that these may be a more sensitive measure of ischaemic impairments. Several studies have reported correlational links between the extent of CA1 cell loss following two or four vessel occlusion (2 VO, 4 VO) in rats and behavioural impairments, but recent findings indicate that at intermediate levels of damage these relationships are weak and variable, and emerge clearly only when animals with maximal CA1 cell loss are included, suggesting that the deficits involve more than damage to the CA1 field. Nevertheless, ischaemic rats and CA1-lesioned marmosets with grafts of foetal CA1 cells show substantial improvements; in rats with grafts from other hippocampal fields. these are not found Conditionally immortalised cell lines and trophic grafts are currently being assessed for their functional potential in animal models, because clinical use of foetal cells will not be practicable. Recent findings suggest that an expanded population of neuroepithelial cells derived from the conditionally immortalised H-2Kb-tsA58 transgenic mouse improve spatial learning as effectively as CA1 foetal grafts in rats subjected to 4 VO, and clonal lines from the same source show similar promise. Lines derived from precursor cells have the potential to develop into different types of cell (neuronal or glial) depending on signals from the host brain. These cell lines may therefore have the capacity to repair damaged host circuits more precisely than is possible with foetal grafts, and offer a promising, approach both to functional recovery and to elucidating graft-host interactions.

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Expression of endothelin, fibronectin, and mortalin as aging and mortality markers.

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Studies on fibronectin, endothelin-1, and mortalin from our laboratory are reviewed here. Fibronectin expression has been analyzed as upregulated during in vitro serial passaging of human fetal lung and neonatal foreskin fibroblasts as well as umbilical vein endothelial cells. In vivo aging of skin fibroblasts, as well as aortic endothelial cells, are also accompanied by upregulation of fibronectin expression. Fibronectin promoter binding proteins from young and old cell nuclear extracts were further explored by gel retardation assay. Preliminary analyses have detected age-related

differential binding activities with respect to AP-1, CRES, TFIID, CTF, and AP-2 regions, whereas Sp1 binding proteins remain unaltered. Endothelin-1 expression is also seen as upregulated during in vitro and in vivo aging of endothelial cells. This can contribute to the hypertension commonly observed in elderly patients. Mortalin, a novel member of hsp 70 family of proteins, was initially identified by virtue of its association with a cellular mortal phenotype. Subsequently, normal cells and the ones with an immortal phenotype have been found to have differential subcellular localization of this protein. Antiproliferative activity of this protein in normal cells and the deregulation of expression in transformed cells is observed which suggests the association of mortalin in pathways that determine cellular divisional phenotype.

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Genetic, epigenetic, dysgenetic, and non-genetic mechanisms in tumorigenesis.

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A not yet understood phenomenon in carcinogenesis is the enormous difference in cancer susceptibility of cells from different species and of cells from individuals within the same species but with different age. Reviewing of the literature points to the promotion phase as the key for this difference. The essence of promotion appears to be a profound switch in the cell functions that enable cells to respond to stresses such as those caused by wounds and infection (cell activation). It was suggested that this switch involves an increase in the life span of the cells which, in turn, may predispose them to immortalization. A relationship of this switch with the onset of genetic instability was suggested, but it is not clear whether genetic instability is inherent to this switch or due to an incorrect performance of either switching on or switching off the response. The cause of species and age-specific differences in cancer susceptibility has therefore been sought in species and age-specific differences on the regulatory control of cell activation, an area that is still largely a black box.

6/3,AB/43 (Item 43 from file: 155)
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Tumour suppressive properties of the adenovirus 5 E1A oncogene.

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The transforming oncogenes of DNA tumour viruses have proven useful as

tools to dissect the mechanisms of complex cellular processes. In particular, studies of the multifunctional proteins encoded by the early region 1A (E1A) of human adenovirus types 2 and 5 have provided insight regulation of cellular gene expression, growth and into the Despite differentiation. their well known ability immortalize primary rodent cells and transform them in with a second oncogene, the E1A proteins also exhibit cooperation significant anti-tumour/tumour suppressive activity. This review focuses on the surprising ability of E1A to function as a tumour suppressor gene.

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Plasticity in epithelial polarity of renal intercalated cells: targeting of the H(+)-ATPase and band 3.

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The intercalated cell is an epithelial cell of the renal collecting tubule that is specialized for H+ and HCO3- transport. These cells exist as two types, alpha and beta. The alpha-cell secretes H+ into the lumen by an apical H(+)-ATPase and a basolateral Cl-/HCO3- exchanger that is a form of band 3 protein (AE1). The betacell secretes HCO3- into the lumen by an apical C1-/HCO3- exchanger and a basolateral H(+)-ATPase. In a previous study, it was suggested that a reversal in epithelial polarity of these cells occurs during the response of the kidney to an acid load (G.J. Schwartz, J. Barasch, and Q. Al-Awqati. Nature Lond. 318: 368-371, 1985). Recent studies, however have shown that there are many other subtypes where the distribution of these two proteins does not fit into this neat bipolar classification. This group of investigators recently generated an immortalized cell line of the beta-intercalated cell and found that the apical Cl-/HCO3exchanger is also AE1. Furthermore, when these cells were seeded at high densities, the polarized targeting of the apical band 3 was reversed to the basolateral membrane. This was produced by the secretion of extracellular matrix protein that by themselves were capable of reversing the polarity of band 3 (J. S. van Adelsberg, J. C. Edwards, J. Takito, B. Kiss, and Q. Al-Awqati. Cell 76: 1053-1061, 1995). A large new extracellular matrix protein, hensin, was identified and found to be exclusively in the collecting tubule. The extensive recent literature on the biology of alpha- and beta-intercalated cells is reviewed here and found to be compatible with the idea of the reversal of polarity as a mechanism for the regulation of H+ secretion by the tubule.

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Transgenic targeting of neuroendocrine peptide genes in the hypothalamic-pituitary axis.

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A large number of neuroendocrine peptide genes have been tested for their ability to target expression to the hypothalamus and pituitary in transgenic mice. This has resulted in a number of powerful applications, for example, ablation or immortalization of specific cell and analysis of transcription regulatory sequences. The greatest amount of success in targeting cells of the neuroendocrine axis has been in the pituitary and has utilized regulatory sequences of genes that are normally expressed in pituitary. Greater difficulties have been directing expression specific neurons in the encountered in to primary goal of this review is to consider hypothalamus. A collectively the data obtained by a number of laboratories in order to draw the general sequence requirements for achieving conclusions about cell -specific expression. The data suggest that the mechanisms controlling cell -specific expression of neuropeptide genes in the hypothalamus are complex and involve multiple regulatory elements that may reside within the gene or many kilobases away from the promoter. These elements act positively and negatively in different cells to enhance or restrict expression, and may include sequences that shield a transgene from regulatory influences of other genes near the point of chromosomal insertion.

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The H-2KbtsA58 transgenic mouse: a new tool for the rapid generation of novel cell lines.

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Transgenic research (ENGLAND) Jul 1995, 4 (4) p215-25, ISSN 0962-8819 Journal Code: 9209120

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The ability to generate expanded populations of individual cell types able to undergo normal differentiation in vitro and in vivo is of critical importance in the investigation of the mechanisms that underly differentiation and in studies on the use of cell transplantation to repair damaged tissues. This review discusses the development of a strain of transgenic mice that allows the direct derivation of conditionally immortal cell lines from a variety of tissues, simply by dissociation of the tissue of interest and growth of cells in appropriate conditions. In these mice the tsA58 mutant of SV40 large T antigen is controlled by the interferon-inducible Class I antigen promoter. Cells can be grown for extended periods in vitro simply by growing them at 33 degrees C in the presence of interferon, while still retaining the capacity to undergo normal differentiation in vivo and in vitro. In addition, it appears that cell lines expressing mutant phenotypes can readily be generated by preparing cultures from appropriate offspring of matings between H-2KbtsA58 transgenic mice and mutant mice of interest.

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Approaches to gene transfer in keratinocytes.

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The introduction and expression of exogenous genetic material in cultured cells has provided a powerful tool for studying gene function and regulation. Immortalized cell lines have been useful for establishing gene transfer methodologies that are generally inefficient. For investigators of epidermal and mucosal biology, wishing to make use of the tissue architecture produced by primary keratinocytes in vitro, the limited life span of these cells presents a host of unique problems. Primary cells require the use of gene transfer methods that are highly efficient and will not significantly alter the cell's normal differentiation pathway. The purpose of this review is to evaluate gene transfer technology as it applies to keratinocytes.

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From chance to choice in the generation of neural cell lines.

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Despite the central importance of cell lines in contemporary studies in cellular and molecular biology, many areas of potential investigation remain impeded by the limited number of lines available and by the difficulty in generating new lines of interest. Thus, there has been a constant pressure to develop improved methods for obtaining cell lines of particular interest. This review examines some of the problems associated with in vitro approaches to cell line generation. In addition, two different ways in which transgenic animals can be used to overcome the limitations of in vitro production of cell lines are discussed. In the first approach, specific promoters are utilized to target expression of immortalizing genes to cells of interest. The second approach is concerned with development of a strain of transgenic animals (the H-2KbtsA58 transgenic mouse) designed to obviate the need for identification of cell -type specific promoters, and in which it is theoretically possible to directly generate conditionally immortal cell lines from any tissue of the body by simple dissection and growth of cells in appropriate tissue culture conditions. Finally, approaches are also discussed in which investigations on the control of precursor differentiation have been applied so as to bypass the need for expression of activated immortalizing oncogenes in the generation of large quantities of conditionally immortalized cells with the capacity to undergo normal differentiation in vitro and in vivo.

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[Advances in molecular genetics of the Niemann-Pick group of diseases]
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Recent advances in molecular genetics of the Niemann-Pick group of diseases are reviewed. Types A and B Niemann-Pick disease are characterized by a deficiency of one of lysosomal hydrolases, i.e. acid sphingomyelinase. The enzyme was partially purified from a large amount of urine and the cDNA clones, encoding acid sphingomyelinase, were cloned. The gene encoding the enzyme has been localized at the region p 15.1-p 15.4 of chromosome 11 by analysis of a somatic cell hybrid and in situ Several mutations, causing deficient sphingomyelinase hybridization. activity, were identified among patients with different ethnic The expression experiments revealed that the mutations backgrounds. responsible for type A cause no detectable residual enzyme activities, while mutations responsible for type B, cause relatively higher residual enzyme activity of 2% to 40 %. Biochemical abnormalities in Type C Niemann-Pick fibroblasts are characterized by normal acid sphingomyelinase intracellular cholesterol and defective activity, accumulation of esterification of exogenously added cholesterol. The basic defect is still Similar abnormalities were observed in mutant mouse strains, unknown. BALB/c and C57 BL/Ks. The mutant C57BL/Ks mouse, which was found in Japan, has been characterized as a sphingomyelinosis and the genetic locus, spm, has been assigned to chromosome 18. By transferring a single human chromosome to the immortalized cell line, we have found human chromosome 18 can reduce intracellular cholesterol accumulation. More recently, Pentchev and co-workers found linkage of type C to human chromosome 18. It is highly probable that the spm and human type C mutations involve the same gene. Molecular cloning of the defective gene in muman and mouse mutation become practically possible.

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Oncogenes in cellular immortalisation and differentiation (review).

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Oncogenes have shown to be able to overcome the limited been proliferative capacity of normal mammalian cells in culture enforcing them to an immortalised phenotype, which in turn may act as a primary step in tumourigenesis. The oncogenes which display such activity have the common feature of nuclear immortalisation localisation, while the oncogenes which are capable of transforming cells are mainly cytoplasmic. Oncogenes from both families have been shown to interfere with the differentiation processes of several

cell types. There is evidence that some of these proto-oncogenes may function as regulators of normal cell differentiation, and when immortalisation occurs this is a process of blocking the cell from achieving a differentiated state. This article focuses on the ability of some oncogenes with different functions, such as myc and ras, to override the limited cellular proliferative capacity and their effects on differentiation; finally it examines the recent implications that some onco-suppressor genes are actively participating in cellular differentiation processes.

6/3,AB/51 (Item 51 from file: 155) DIALOG(R) File 155: MEDLINE(R)

07637154 93155553 PMID: 8381452

secretion of apolipoprotein B-containing Regulation of hepatic lipoproteins: information obtained from cultured liver cells.

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A major theme of this review is that apoB secretion is regulated post-translationally, and that apoB secretion reacts rapidly to the current state of lipid metabolism in the cell. Therefore, as discussed by Fungwe et al. (122), the metabolism of triglyceride and of cholesteryl ester, in so far as both can be used as core lipids for apoB-containing LPs, are inextricably linked, and the shortage of one or both of these lipids could, by "allowing" increased intracellular degradation in the ER, inhibit the secretion of apoB. Another theme in this review is that the regulation of apoB secretion may be quite different in rat hepatocytes compared to cultured cells (HepG2) used as a model for human hepatocytes. Exogenous fatty acids appear to modulate the rate of apoB secretion in HepG2 cells, whereas they have only minimal effects apoB secretion in rat hepatocytes or liver. Increased dietary cholesterol, on the other hand, appears to be an important modulator of apoB secretion in rats, but the evidence for effects of cholesterol on apoB secretion in HepG2 cells is less convincing. Finally, because HepG2 cells are an immortalized cell line, there could be many differences between these cells and human hepatocytes in vivo. Therefore, many of the results obtained with HepG2 cells should be corroborated in primary cultures of human hepatocytes. However, investigators utilizing primary human hepatocytes should be sure that the culture conditions are adequate to maintain the continued transcription of liver specific genes and to prevent the dedifferentiation of these cells in culture (85, 86).

6/3,AB/52 (Item 52 from file: 155) DIALOG(R) File 155: MEDLINE(R)

07555695 93082677 PMID: 1451111

The interaction of the erythropoietin receptor and gp55.

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Friend virus induced erythroleukaemia can be conveniently divided into a first stage and a second stage. The first stage results from the mitogenic stimulation of EPO-R by gp55. In the second stage, multiple proviral integrations appear to result in further transformation of the SFFV infected erythroblast to a leukaemogenic state. The first stage results from EPO-R activation. After retroviral entry, mediated through an unknown receptor, and after cDNA synthesis and proviral integration, viral proteins are synthesized. Gp55 binds and activates EPO-R. A small but measurable amount of gp55-EPO-R complex is transported to the cell surface (Casadewall et al, 1991). In the presence of helper virus, the defective SFFV genome is packaged and released for subsequent rounds of infection. During the first stage, erythroblasts proliferate but are not tumorigenic. During the second stage of Friend disease, subsequent infections result in further in the host genome. Some of these integrations proviral integrations result in increased Spi-1 expression, whereas others result in expression. These events appear to account for the decreased p53 leukaemogenic properties of cells at this stage, 4-6 weeks after the initial SFFV infection. The interaction between EPO-R and gp55 persists at this later stage, although its contribution to the malignant phenotype of the MEL cells is not known. The sequence of events during stage 1 and stage 2 does not appear to have absolute requirements. Starting with IL-3 dependent immortalized Ba/F3 cells , which already have some unknown proliferative mutation (Mathey-Prevot et al, 1986), gp55 and EPO-R can subsequently be introduced, resulting in tumorigenicity (Li et al, 1990). The primary focus of this review has been the early mitogenic stage of Friend disease. Several concepts have emerged regarding the EPO-R. The interaction between the interaction gp55 between and polypeptides is highly specific, occurs in the extracytoplasmic regions and the transmembrane region of the polypeptides and occurs within the same cell, not via cell-cell contact. Both EPO and gp55 activate EPO-R, via different binding sites, resulting in increased cellular tyrosine kinase activity. The first stage of Friend disease is an example of how a non-oncogene bearing retrovirus can induce leukaemia. The env gene of the SFFV is not a classical oncogene. It does not appear to be derived from a normal cellular proto-oncogene. The interaction of gp55 and EPO-R therefore supports the "receptor mediated leukaemogenesis" hypothesis (McGrath and Weissman, 1978, 1979).(ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 400 WORDS)

6/3,AB/53 (Item 53 from file: 155)
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Biochemical, immunological, and functional aspects of the growth-suppressor/oncoprotein p53.

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The cellular phosphoprotein p53 was initially discovered in a variety of in vitro transformed and tumor-derived cell lines. Later on, p53 was also found in normal, nontransformed cells albeit at very low levels. Inhibition of p53 functions by microinjection of anti-p53 antibodies prevented quiescent cells from reentering the cell cycle after serum stimulation, indicating that p53 might somehow be

involved in the regulation of cell proliferation. After detection of p53-specific mRNAs, the gene was discovered in diverse species ranging from fish and frog to man. Knowing the p53 DNA sequence, it became clear that mutant forms of p53 had immortalizing and, in cooperation with other oncogenes, transforming activities. On the other hand, wild-type p53 could oncogene-mediated transformation. It seems clear now that suppress wild-type p53 is a tumor suppressor. Moreover, analysis of p53 from many types of human tumors indicates that the p53 gene is a very frequent target for mutational alterations. Because the biochemical consequences of these alterations are not yet clear, it is not understood yet on the molecular level how p53 can act as an oncogenic protein, on one hand, and as a growth-suppressor protein on the other hand. Therefore, the present review aims to summarize the biochemical and immunological properties of p53 and to address some biological activities of p53 in order to allow more insight into how p53 might be regulated within the cell or how p53 might regulate cell proliferation.

6/3,AB/54 (Item 54 from file: 155)
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07263239 92199443 PMID: 1802111

Cell cycle-regulated and proliferation stimulus-responsive genes.

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We have reviewed here genes whose expression may vary during the " cell cycle" and we discuss the underlying regulatory mechanisms. Given a correlation between the cell cycle and expression of a particular gene, the question arises whether that gene regulates the cycle, whether the cycle regulates that gene, or whether the correlation is simply the consequence that both the cell cycle and that gene respond to the same signal(s). Gene expression is regulated at diverse levels, and the relative importance of regulation at these different levels depends on which version of the cell cycle one has in mind; depending upon the context, the concept of the (higher eukaryote) cell cycle has a number of different operational meanings. Thus the first few divisions of the fertilized egg consist of successive S and M phases, with insignificant G1 and G2 phases, regulated entirely at the translational and level by the phosphorylation/dephosphorylation of post-translational p34cdc2 and the synthesis/degradation of one or more cyclins-keyed perhaps to the cytoplasm/nucleoplasm ratio and the completion of DNA replication. In contrast, cells stimulated to exit quiescence, (G0), require new gene transcription and changes in the post-transcriptional control of gene expression. Cells proliferating in a constant environment proceed directly from mitosis into G1 and are less dependent on (but not independent transcription; of) new here controls at the post-transcriptional and post-translational levels are more pronounced. In addition to regulation by p34cdc2, input from cell-specific growth factors or other extracellular signals is essential for most untransformed cells to continue through the cycle. Many transformed cells in contrast do not require exogenous signals and are altered in the way that key regulatory genes (e.g., p53, RB) are controlled. While cells of many lower eukaryotes appear capable of an indefinite number of cell cycles, the typical higher eukaryotic cell appears to have a limit on this number--untransformed, nonestablished vertebrate cells are usually mortal. For unknown reasons, established cell lines and certain embryonic or stem cells under the right conditions, are

immortal and capable of indefinite proliferation. Apparently, the price paid to construct a differentiated multicellular organism is a limit on the number of cell divisions that the constituent somatic cells are capable of undergoing.

6/3,AB/55 (Item 55 from file: 155)
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Early-stage squamous cell and adenocarcinoma of the cervix.

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Articles on early-stage squamous cell and adenocarcinoma of the cervix published between August 1990 and July 1991 are reviewed. A new monoclonal antibody used to distinguish endocervical from endometrial differentiation is described, as well as a histochemical means of distinguishing in situ from invasive adenocarcinoma. In vitro and in vivo studies of cell lines immortalized with human papillomavirus DNA are described with a discussion of the mechanism of the development of malignancy. An animal test and develop an anti-human model to papillomavirus vaccine is presented. The epidemiology of adenocarcinoma is also reviewed, and the development of invasive carcinoma after conservative therapy or conization for dysplasia is discussed. Computed tomography scanning has been found to be no more accurate than examination for staging of early cervical cancer. Several studies in the review period have evaluated risk factors for recurrent disease in patients treated for early-stage cervical cancer, including a prospective surgical pathologic study by the Gynecologic Oncology Group. The optimal treatment of early stage I adenocarcinoma of the cervix is discussed, comparing the efficacy of primary surgical therapy with the efficacy of radiation therapy. The risk of ovarian metastases in patients with early-stage cervical low for both squamous cell and cancer is very The surgical technique and efficacy of laparoscopic pelvic adenocarcinoma. lymphadenectomy for patients with early-stage cervical cancer are discussed. Lateral transposition of the ovaries at the time of radical hysterectomy for cervical cancer has significant potential benefits but also risks. Finally, surveillance methods that detect recurrent cervical cancer after treatment for early-stage disease are discussed.

6/3,AB/56 (Item 56 from file: 155) DIALOG(R)File 155:MEDLINE(R)

06758346 91069058 PMID: 2174661

Genetic strategies of tumor suppression.

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American review of respiratory disease (UNITED STATES) Dec 1990, 142 (6 Pt 2) pS40-3, ISSN 0003-0805 Journal Code: 0370523

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The evaluation of the cancer cell is a complex multigene process.

Tumor suppressor genes that are lost or inactivated, as well as genes that

are overexpressed, play key roles in tumor progression. The identification of overexpressed genes has been expedited by the presence of transforming genes in some animal retroviruses. However, tumor suppressor genes have difficult to identify and isolate because of their loss or inactivation during tumorigenesis. By a variety of methods, summarized in review , a few tumor suppressors have been cloned and characterized, and many more have been recognized indirectly. The general finding at this time is that the same tumor suppressors (and oncogenes) are associated with many different tumors, that several different altered genes are found typically in the same tumors, and oncogenes and tumor genes suppressor characteristically altered in particular tumor types as well. Functions of tumor suppressor genes include the control of normal cell activities such as proliferation and differentiation as well as senescence, which is a special kind of differentiation in which cells lose their ability to divide. The genetic basis of senescence and identification of involved genes overcoming in senescence, immortalization (i.e., indefinite growth potential), are important areas of current investigation. Our laboratory is engaged in senescence/ immortalization studies as a result of our discovery that normal human mammary epithelial cells can be immortalized by DNA of the human papilloma virus. These new studies are summarized here.

6/3,AB/57 (Item 57 from file: 155)
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06740479 91053038 PMID: 2241098

Colorectal carcinogenesis: sequential steps in the in vitro immortalization and transformation of human colonic epithelial cells (review).

Paraskeva C; Corfield A P; Harper S; Hague A; Audcent K; Williams A C Department of Pathology, University of Bristol, Medical School, U.K. Anticancer research (GREECE) Sep-Oct 1990, 10 (5A) p1189-200, ISSN 0250-7005 Journal Code: 8102988

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The development of colorectal cancer is an excellent example of the complex multistage nature of carcinogenesis and most colorectal cancers are thought to develop from adenomas. In this paper we have reviewed in vitro models developed in our laboratory for the study of human colorectal carcinogenesis. For these studies epithelial cell lines have been isolated from hereditary and sporadic colorectal adenomas representing different stages in tumour progression. Karyotypic analysis has shown specific abnormalities of chromosomes 1, 7, 14, 17, 18 and 22 to occur in these premalignant adenoma cell lines. The majority of cell cultures derived from small adenomas (less than 1 cm in diameter) senesced whereas the larger adenomas (greater than 2 cm in diameter) were more likely to give rise to immortal cell lines indicating that the acquisition of in vitro immortality occurs at a relatively late stage of colorectal carcinogenesis. Abnormalities of chromosome I have been implicated in tumour progression and in the in vitro immortalization of colorectal adenomas. Furthermore, several stages have been described in the transformation of an adenoma cell line PC/AA to a tumorigenic butyrate phenotype. Sodium and the potent N-methyl-N-nitro-nitrosoguanidine (MNNG) were used in this transformation. Sodium butyrate is proposed to act as a possible promoter of colorectal carcinogenesis, and MNNG to cause the further genetic changes required for the conversion of the premalignant cells to a carcinoma. Markers to study the progression of an adenoma cell line to a tumorigenic phenotype in vitro include in vitro immortalization, aneuploidy, clonogenicity, resistance to the inhibitory effects of sodium butyrate,

anchorage independent growth, ras gene activation, production of active proteinases and tumorigenicity in athymic nude mice. A role for a constitutively produced tumour promoter in colorectal carcinogenesis is discussed together with the possibility that **different** events are involved in the development of sporadic versus hereditary tumours due to the importance of the microenvironment in hereditary cancer. Our in vitro progression provides the first experimental evidence for the adenoma to carcinoma sequence and the cytogenetic evidence suggests that it is relevant to in vivo carcinogenesis.

6/3,AB/58 (Item 58 from file: 155)
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06196636 89281014 PMID: 2543878

Expression of membrane receptors and (proto) oncogenes during the ontogenic development and neoplastic transformation of the intestinal mucosa.

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Life sciences (ENGLAND) 1989, 44 (23) p1721-42, ISSN 0024-3205 Journal Code: 0375521

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The functional relationship between membrane receptors involved in signal transduction and (proto) oncogene expression has been explored during the ontogenic development and differentiation of the intestinal mucosa in man and rat. The present review develops detailed picture of the current understanding of some mechanisms underlying growth and function of normal, immortalized and cancerous intestinal epithelial cells.

6/3,AB/59 (Item 59 from file: 155)
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Diversity of the osteoblastic phenotype.

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Studies of bone cells in culture have raised two salient questions: are the findings representative of the in vivo situation and can the conflicting data from different cell models be reconciled?

Review of the literature indicates that all osteoblastic cells, defined by their origin or by their ability to produce mineralized matrix, have a few common properties: production of type I collagen; increased alkaline phosphatase activity; and parathyroid hormone-stimulated adenylate cyclase. Other features, such as osteocalcin and prostaglandin E production and the response to prostaglandin E, are selectively expressed by certain cell types. Pilot studies on mRNA levels of 'bone proteins' in developing calvaria suggest that such differences may reflect stages in osteoblastic differentiation. Immortalization of calvaria-deriv ed cells using a SV40 large T antigen vector, which may freeze the cells in their particular state of differentiation (as proposed

leukaemia cells), yields phenotypes consistent with that for hypothesis. Immortal cell lines may thus help to characterize osteoblastic differentiation . The diversity of osteoblast responses in culture to hormones and growth factors could be due to these phenotype differences but could also represent subspecialization a differentiated cells . In addition, in the organism regulatory agents act in concert on a heterogeneous interactive cell population. Nonetheless cell cultures can be useful in screening for and predicting in vivo responses, as was shown by the 1,25-(OH)2D3 stimulation of osteocalcin, and for studying the molecular mechanisms of regulatory effects. Cell lines are also convenient for the production of specific proteins and cDNA libraries, and for the expression of specific genes.

6/3,AB/60 (Item 60 from file: 155)
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05934372 89024505 PMID: 3052259

Onco-suppressor genes and their involvement in cancer (review).

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Onco-suppressor genes are a heterogeneous set of genes that inhibit the cancer-related phenotype of cells . Because they are difficult to identify, only a few have been described. Evidence for their existence has mainly been indirect and comes from the following types of study. 1. Recessive cancer genes in higher and lower eukaryotes have been detected. If both alleles of these genes are deleted or inactivated, cancer develops. 2. Studies on cell hybrids have implicated genes which suppress various stages in the malignant conversion of normal cells e.g. immortalisation, morphological conversion and metastasis. 3. The isolation from virally induced transformants of flat, non-tumorigenic expression of the transforming gene is not which revertants in down-regulated suggests the presence of genes which suppress the effects of transformation. 4. Blocks to differentiation can be bypassed by inducing compounds or differentiation factors. 5. Studies on tumor inhibitory factors such as tumour necrosis factor and beta-TGF show that they have different effects on different types of cell -acting to promote growth in some cases and inhibit it in others. 6. The discovery of cis-acting negatice regulatory elements suggests that interaction of such elements with proteins may be important for control of gene expression particularly of infecting oncogenic viruses. 7. Suppression of the transformed phenotype of malignant cells by contact with normal cells that controls growth of neighboring cells. 8. The inhibition of proliferation of transformed cells by transfection with normal cells may be a useful method for cloning DNA from onco-suppressor genes. We discuss what is known and what is not known about this important class of gene.

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05783985 88208573 PMID: 3284497

Potential and limitations of cultivated fibroblasts in the study of senescence in animals. A review on the murine skin fibroblasts system.

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Senescence is the last period of the life span, leading to death. It happens in all animals, with the exception of a few didermic species (Hydras) having a stock of embryonic cells and being immortal. The causes of animal senescence are badly known. They depend both on genetic characters (maximum life span of a species) and on medium factors (mean expectation of life of the animals of a species). Animal senescence could depend on cell aging: (1) by senescence and death of the differentiated cells, (2) by modified proliferation of the stem cells of differentiated tissues, (3) by alterations in the extracellular matrices, (4) by interactions between factors (1) (2) and (3) in each tissue, and (5) by interactions between the several tissues of an organism. This complexity badly impedes the experimental study of animal senescence. Normal mammal cells are aging when they are cultivated (in vitro aging). Present literature upon in vitro aging of cultivated human fibroblasts consists essentially of papers devoted to proliferation and differentiation characteristics and not to cell senescence. Murine skin fibroblasts have been studied in our laboratory, using different systems: (1) primary cultures isolated from peeled skins of mouse embryos, (2) mouse derms analysed in the animals, (3) cultivated explants of skins, (4) serial sub-cultures of fibroblasts isolated from these explants, (5) cells cultivated comparably on plane substrates plastic, (glass, collagen films) and on three-dimensional matrices (collagen fibres). In primary cultures (system 1) all the cell generations have been analysed, including the last one until death of the culture. We have shown that many characters are varying with cell generation. All the observed variations were: progressive, non-linear and correlated (intracellular feedbacks). We come to the conclusion that the main effects of cell mitotic age are (1) to depress the plasticity of the chromatin, (2) to change the organization of the cytoplasmic filaments, (3) to change the organization of the extracellular matrix. The collagen fibres are also acting upon nucleus and filaments either in the animals or in the cultures. The phenotype of a fibroblastic cell is thus both age- and environment-dependent. Overall data on in vitro cell aging point to the hypothesis that senescent cells are phenotypic variants and not mutant cells. Aging cell cultures are remarkably useful to the studies on cell proliferation decrease and cell cycle lengthening shown by the stem cells in animal tissues. We propose the hypothesis that the fibroblasts of the vertebrates would be homologous to the pluripotent mesenchyme cells of their embryos.

6/3,AB/62 (Item 62 from file: 155)
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The Epstein-Barr virus genome and phenotypic expression during lytic cycle.

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The Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV) has been studied extensively as a human

cancer virus. Until recently, however, little was known about the viral genes encoding for different proteins involved in the virus immortalization and replication cycles. Most of the efforts have been directed at those genes expressed in immortalized cells. However, more recently, there has also been advances in the mapping of genes encoding for polypeptides expressed in the virus replication cycle and in the characterization of the proteins encoded by these genes. The purpose of this article is to review some of these new developments in identifying viral genes and their products. In addition, the current status of the development of a subviral vaccine against this virus is discussed.

6/3,AB/63 (Item 63 from file: 155) DIALOG(R)File 155:MEDLINE(R)

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Experimental models of bladder cancer: a critical review.

Raghavan D; Debruyne F; Herr H; Jocham D; Kakizoe T; Okajima E; Sandberg A; Tannock I

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We have reviewed critically the available models of bladder cancer,. and have attempted to compare their strengths and weaknesses where appropriate are available. Further direct comparisons of the data applications of each model will be needed in order to rank them, and to identify areas of research where each model will predominate. Furthermore, more information will be needed to validate each model in the context of human disease. With the increasing range and sophistication of the tools of biology, a very important future direction will be the characterisation of animal and human bladder cancer, and in particular the study of the changes from normal to neoplastic urothelium: tumor markers, chromosomal patterns and oncogenes that are associated with specific biological functions, such as invasion, metastasis and ultimate prognosis. The transfection of normal tissues by oncogenes to yield transformed or immortalised lines may be of critical importance in identifying the of neoplastic transformation. The use of animal tumors and nature xenografts, each with the availability of a physiological internal milieu (although different from human metabolic conditions) may yield useful systems for the testing of new therapeutic approaches. However, of the utmost importance is the continuing need to characterise and validate each model, to avoid multiple publications and nomenclatures pertaining to common lines, and to recognise the limitations of the heavily adapted long term cell lines in vivo and in vitro. The major deficiencies of the available lines continue to be found in the method of their application to basic research, rather than being inherent in themselves. Although there are many theoretical and practical applications of these models, it should not be forgotten that the direct study of human bladder cancer, including the appropriate processing of biopsy specimens, will remain integral to understanding the biology of this disease.

6/3,AB/64 (Item 64 from file: 155) DIALOG(R)File 155:MEDLINE(R)

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[Current developments in hybridoma technology]
Recente ontwikkelingen in de hybridomatechnologie.
Osterhaus A D; UytdeHaag A G
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A review of recent developments in hybridoma technology is presented. The advantages and disadvantages of different methods of immunization, immortalization, selection and cultivation of hybridomas are evaluated. Recent and promising developments in the field of the application of monoclonal antibodies are discussed.

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Induction-dependent and lineage-dependent models for cell diversification are mutually exclusive.

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The purpose of this brief review is to put into perspective just how little is known about the mechanisms that control the assembly of the differentiation program of any cell type. Any number of "trivial" changes in the microenvironment of a Friend erythroleukemic or of a neuroblastoma cell induces both covertly differentiated cells to reveal their lineage affiliations. Demethylating molecules, BudR, retinoic acid, cAMP, butyrate or other "inducing molecules" do not, however, transform the descendents of the neuroblastoma cell into a Hb- synthesizing cell or vice versa. For thousands of generations both of these immortialized lines transmit to their daughters their unique, lineage-dependent differentiation programs with great fidelity. The stability of the inherited transcription complex that is ultimately this covert differentiation program of these responsible for cell lines--or of normal precursor cells--is awesome. Clearly, with these immortalized cells as with normal chick blastodisc cells, the cell 's microenvironment plays a major role in permitting or blocking the expression of the cell's inherited differentiation program. But the program itself must be generated by intracellular mechanisms and must be inherited; its assembly is not dependent upon inductive events initiated by exogenous molecules.

6/3,AB/66 (Item 66 from file: 155) DIALOG(R)File 155:MEDLINE(R)

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Human T-cell leukemia virus: its discovery and role in leukemogenesis and immunosuppression.

Shaw G M; Broder S; Essex M; Gallo R C

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We have highlighted the events leading to the discovery of the first human RNA tumor virus and then reviewed what is currently known about haemopoietic stem cell.

Schofield R

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Several experimental findings that are inconsistent with the view that the spleen colony-forming cell (CFU-S) is the primary haemopoietic stem cell are reviewed. Recovery of CFU-S, both quantitatively qualitatively, can proceed differently depending upon the and cytotoxic agent or regime used to bring about the depletion. The virtual immortality of the stem cell population is at variance with evidence that the CFU-S population has an 'age-structure' which has been workers to explain experimental and clinical invoked by several observations. To account for these inconsistencies, a hypothesis is proposed in which the stem cell is seen in association with other cells which determine its behaviour. It becomes essentially a fixed tissue cell. Its maturation is prevented and, as a result, its continued proliferation as a stem cell is assured. Its progeny, unless they can occupy a similar stem cell 'niche', are first generation colony-forming cells, which proliferate and mature to acquire a high probability of differentiation, i.e., they have an age-structure. Some of the experimental situations reviewed are discussed in relation to the proposed hypothesis.

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Aging and survival of cutaneous microvasculature.

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ABSTRACT: The growth and turnover of blood vessels in the skin is fundamental in normal development, wound repair, hair follicle cycling, tumor cell metastasis, and in many different states of cutaneous pathology. Whereas many investigations are focused on mechanisms of angiogenesis in the skin, the influence of cellular aging and replicative senescence (i.e., the inability, after a critical number of population doublings, to replicate) on microvascular remodeling events has received relatively less attention. In this article, we review the clinical and pathologic relationships associated with cutaneous vascular aging and update current knowledge of endothelial cell survival characteristics. A hypothesis is presented in which endothelial cell aging and survival are linked to molecular mechanisms controlling cell proliferation, quiescence, apoptosis, and cellular senescence. We review recent results demonstrating how activation of telomerase in human dermal microvascular endothelial cells affects their durability both in vitro and in vivo and conclude by linking these studies with current concepts involving endothelial cell precursors, control of postnatal somatic cell telomerase activity, and murine model systems.

6/3.AB/72(Item 2 from file: 5) 5:Biosis Previews (R) DIALOG(R) File (c) 2002 BIOSIS. All rts. reserv. BIOSIS NO.: 200100398267 13191118 Mammalian stem cells in vitro as a basis for the development of new biotechnologies. AUTHOR: Lukash L L; Vasilovskaya S V JOURNAL: Biopolimery i Kletka 17 (3):p203-211 May-June, 2001 MEDIUM: print ISSN: 0233-7657 DOCUMENT TYPE: Literature Review RECORD TYPE: Abstract LANGUAGE: Ukrainian; Non-English SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English; Ukrainian; Russian ABSTRACT: In this review we considered the main directions of the research using stem cells of human and animals: the creation of cellular banks, an investigation of the properties of the polipotent stem cells and obtaining of immortal cell lines, a role of growth factors and cytokines in the differentiation of the stem cells, cell therapy as an alternative of organ transplantation, recapitulation of the embryogenesis and animal cloning. 2001 (Item 3 from file: 5) 6/3,AB/73 5:Biosis Previews(R) DIALOG(R) File (c) 2002 BIOSIS. All rts. reserv. 12137716 BIOSIS NO.: 199900432565 The molecular basis of cell cycle and growth control. BOOK TITLE: The molecular basis of cell cycle and growth control AUTHOR: Stein Gary S(a); Baserga Renato; Giordano Antonio; Denhardt David T BOOK AUTHOR/EDITOR: Stein G S; Baserga R; Giordano A; Denhardt D T: Eds AUTHOR ADDRESS: (a) Department of Cell Biology and Cancer Center, University of Massachusetts Medical Center, 55 Lake Avenue North, Worcester, MA, 01655**USA px+389p 1999 BOOK PUBLISHER: Wiley-Liss, Inc., 605 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10158-0012, USA Wiley-Liss, Ltd., Chichester, England ISBN: 0-471-15706-6 DOCUMENT TYPE: Book RECORD TYPE: Abstract LANGUAGE: English ABSTRACT: This text with nine chapters authored by an international team of scientists, reviews up-to-date information on the biochemical parameters and gene regulatory mechanisms that mediate cell growth control and cell cycle progression. The book begins with an introduction to the problem of cell cycle control, followed by chapters examining DNA replication and S phase, mitosis and meiosis, regulation of gene expression, growth factors and growth factor

receptor-mediated pathways, signal transduction and integration of

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cancer, and developmental biologists; biochemists; molecular geneticists, oncologists, and pathologists; and immunologists are the intended audience for this volume.

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Mortality and immortality at the cellular level: A review

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ABSTRACT: A brief history of cell culture as it pertains to aging research had its origins with the thoughts of Weismann and the work of Carrel. Until the early 1960's it was believed that normal cells had an unlimited capacity to replicate. Consequently, aging was thought to have little to do with intracellular events. In the early 1960's we overthrew this dogma after finding that normal cells do have a finite replicative capacity. We interpreted this phenomenon to be aging at the cellular level. In subsequent years the objective was to identify the putative cell division counting mechanism that had been postulated to exist. Efforts to achieve this goal have had a remarkable degree of success only in the last few years with the discovery of the shortening of telomeres at each round of DNA replication that occurs in normal cells both in vivo and in vitro. Immortal abnormal cell populations overcome telomere shortening by activating an enzyme, telomerase, that catalyzes the synthesis of the TTAGGG sequences that compose mammalian telomeres, thus maintaining their length constant. Telomere shortening in normal cells is not a chronometer because time is not measured but rounds of DNA replication are measured. I propose the term replicometer for the device that measures the loss of telomeric sequences in normal cells because the action is that of a meter, and it is counting DNA replications. Telomere shortening and the finite lifetime of normal cells is more likely to represent longevity determination than it is aging. The hundreds of biological changes that herald the loss of replicative capacity in normal cells are more likely age changes.

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Resistance to cytotoxic treatments: A critical analysis.
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ABSTRACT: Drug resistance is the main obstacle for success in cancer chemotherapy. Several mechanisms of biochemical resistance affecting single and particular drugs have been known since a long time. In addition, the most important mechanism of resistance, affecting many different drugs at the same time, has been discovered along the lost twenty years, the so-called pleiotropic resistance. This is due in small proportion to DNA-topoisomerase II alterations, but mainly to the cell expression of MDR1 and MRP surface proteins, that behave as true extrusion pumps for natural toxic substances and are reviewed with some detail in the text. Biochemical resistance is an evolutive process of spontaneous genetic mutation, the rate of which fluctuates according to that of each cellular clone. The mathematical model of Goldie and Coldman, formulated to relate the drug sensitivity of tumors to their spontaneous mutation rate, and their proposal of 'alternating' chemotheraphy, have not met practical success, perhaps due to the unequal effectiveness of the available alternating drug regimens. Day's worst drug rule, implying the most extensive use of the less effective combination, could be an excellent way to improve results, specially with the help of computer software carefully filled with real data. Many times, tumor resistance to chemotherapy is not genetic in origin, but depends on the proliferative status of its cell population, as shown by Norton and Simon almost twenty years ago. Tumor growth is actually gompertzian and chemosensitivity is maximal at the transition point, when growth rate is almost exponential, decreasing clearly and progressively at later positions and, most importantly, at much earlier situations. This emphasizes the intrinsic difficulty and decreasing ability of a particular treatment for killing the lost few tumor cells, that is very significant for adjuvant chemotherapy planning, making necessary its intensification precisely at the end of treatment. This is the actual basis of the present intensification chemotherapy with autologous or allogenic rescue, the results of which seem very promising. Furthermore, the progress against resistance to cytotoxic chemotherapy is already advancing at many tronts, mainly at the pharmacological version of pleiotropic resistance, at the temporal inhibition of bone marrow proliferation during chemotherapy, and at the molecular level. The molecular approaches comprise not only the modulation of proliferation signals and pathaways or the use of antisense oligonucleotides, but specifically directed chemotherapy and the transfer of suicide genes to tumor cells to driscriminate of suicide genes to tumor cells to discriminate killing or, inversely, of resistance genes to one marrow to avoid toxicity.

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THE F9-EC CELL LINE AS A MODEL FOR THE ANALYSIS OF DIFFERENTIATION

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ABSTRACT: The teratocarcinoma stem cell line F9 has been widely used as a model for the analysis of molecular mechanisms associated with differentiation. This cell line has been considered to be nullipotent and able to differentiate into endodermal-like derivatives upon treatment with retinoic acid. Nevertheless, under definite culture conditions, F9 cells are able to differentiate into derivatives of all three germ layers. The F9 cells express characteristics of early mouse embryonal cells and possess all repression factors known to be present in cells of the early mouse embryogenesis. Induction of differentiation can be achieved not only by adding chemical agents to the culture medium but also by transfection of several oncogenic sequences. In somatic cell genetic experiments, immortalized, differentiated F9-like cells have been shown to express dominantly genes responsible for the appearance of the differentiated phenotype.

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ABSTRACT: The nature of the differences between mortal somatic cells and immortal germ cell lines constitutes a major area of theoretical gerontology which has not yet received adequate attention. Weismann's theory, first stated almost exactly a century ago, was recently reconsidered by Kirkwood and Holliday. They applied modern concepts and findings on the factors regulating the accuracy of synthesis of macromolecules to explain germ line immortality. Evidence on aging of reproductive cells and the relationship of cytomorphogenetic events to periodic rejuvenation of germ cell lines is summarized and evaluated here. Key events include the elimination or reversal of some DNA changes in germ cells through recombination and meiotic haploidization, cyclic regeneration of transcriptional and translational systems during gametogenesis and early development, and the selection of stable, viable genomes at various stages of the reproductive cycle. These rejuvenatory processes are compared and related to molecular events which differentiated somatic cells are unable to carry out.

its biology. From this, it is clear that we have only begun to appreciate the biologic diversity, the geographic distribution, and the disease spectrum of this family of human T-lymphotropic retroviruses which we collectively term HTLV. At a basic level, HTLV provides a unique opportunity to study in vitro and in vivo mechanisms of cell transformation. Given its close association with adult T-cell its ability to efficiently immortalize primary leukemia and cells in vitro, we believe that HTLV will very likely harbor clues to the biology of cell differentiation , growth, transformation. At a more clinical level, the close association between HTLV and a malignancy of clonally expanded (HTLV-containing) mature Tcells argues strongly for a causal relationship, although the mechanism for such is currently unknown. It is likely that further study of the molecular and cellular biology of this virus will bring together these basic and clinical findings and elucidate, at least in part, one mechanism for human leukemogenesis. From a more speculative viewpoint, the role of HTLV in the pathogenesis of human disease appears even broader. As discussed in this chapter, there are indications that all subtypes of HTLV may produce immunosuppression both in vitro and in vivo, and there is now exciting new data to suggest that a novel member of this family of viruses, causally linked to the AIDS syndrome. Moreover, the HTLV-III. possibility has been raised that the immunosuppressive properties of HTLV could predispose patients to non-T-cell malignancies as occurs in patients with AIDS or chemically induced immunosuppression. Finally, by employing the experimental strategies which were successful in isolating HTLV-I, HTLV-II, and HTLV-III, it may be possible in the future to identify still other human retroviruses.

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Mechanisms for the initiation and promotion of carcinogenesis: a review and a new concept.

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Carcinogenesis in humans is a multistage process, and the two major have been designated initiation and promotion. Although the biochemical basis for initiation and promotion remains to be established, has provided recent important insights into potentially research significant biologic mechanisms. These data are reviewed, and a new concept of carcinogenesis is presented. This concept suggests that the initiation of carcinogenesis may result from cellular immortalization and the development of defects in the integrated control of stem cell proliferation and differentiation and that the promotion of carcinogenesis may result when such initiated stem cells develop aberrant autoregulatory growth-control properties.

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On the immortality of the germ line: genetic and biochemical mechanism. A review.

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The role of viral transformation and cytogenetic changes in viral oncogenesis.

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A wide variety of DNA viruses and a more restricted family of RNA viruses can transform normal cells in vitro. Transformation means either immortalization and/or the appearance of certain phenotypic changes. Although it has been often inferred that in vitro transformation can be essentially equated with malignant transformation, increasing evidence indicates that the latter, reflected by tumorigenicity in vivo, requires additional cytogenetic changes. The evidence will be reviewed for EB virus-associated human malignancy (Burkitt's lymphoma) and the role of the 14q + translocation marker in human B-cell neoplasia. These findings point to an initiating role of viral transformation, reflected by in vitro immortalization, followed by a cytogenetic evolution where chromosome 14-associated changes are essential for the liberation of B lymphocytes from super-imposed controls. The contrast of tissue-associated, specific chromosomal changes that bring about malignant transformation after the initiating impact different of agents will be illustrated experimentally for murine T-cell lymphoma. Here, X-ray, DMBA and different virus (RadLV, Gross virus)-induced T lymphomas show the same chromosomal change: trisomy 15. It may be questioned whether viral transformation can ever lead to neoplasia in the absence of subsequent cytogenetic changes.

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The relationship between the spleen colony-forming cell and the